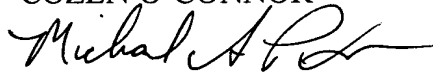


**REMARKS**

This application is a National Phase filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of International PCT application no. PCT/IB2004/003194 filed on 30 September 2004 which claims priority to South African Patent Application No. ZA 2003/7749 filed on October 3, 2003. By this Preliminary Amendment, applicant amended claims 2-6 and 11 without introducing new matter. The amendments are based upon the claims as amended on 14 December 2005 in the PCT. Applicants note that form PCT/IPEA/409 (International Preliminary Report on Patentability) indicates novelty, inventive step, and industrial applicability are present for all 12 claims. Applicants respectfully request entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination on the merits.

Early consideration and allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested. The examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney if an interview, telephonic or personal, would facilitate allowance of the claims.

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